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### AMENDMENT and ELECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 20, 2007, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and elections for entry and consideration. The Action set a 1 month shortened statutory period for reply, making this paper due July 20, 2007. This reply is timely filed and no petition for an extension of time is required.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1935.